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to him or her by MSHA is in error may file a written request with ALOSH that his or her roentgenogram be reevaluated. If the interpretation was based on agreement between an "A" reader and a "B" reader, ALOSH will obtain one or more additional interpretations by "B" readers as necessary to obtain agreement in accord with §37.52(b), and MSHA shall report the results to the miner together with any rights which may accrue to the miner in accordance with §37.7. If the reported interpretation was based on agreement between two (or more) "B" readers, the reading will be accepted as conclusive and the miner shall be so informed by MSHA.

(b) Any operator who is directed by MSHA to transfer a miner to a less dusty atmosphere based on the most recent examination made subsequent to August 1, 1978, may file a written request with ALOSH to review its findings. The standards set forth in paragraph (a) of this section apply and the operator and miner will be notified by MSHA whether the miner is entitled to the option to transfer.

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 77 FR 56735, Sept. 13, 2012, §37.70 was revised, effective Oct. 15, 2012. For the convenience of the user, the revised text is set forth as follows:

§ 37.70 Review of interpretations.

- (a) Any miner who believes the interpretation for pneumoconiosis reported to him or her by MSHA is in error may file a written request with NIOSH that his or her radiograph be reevaluated. If the interpretation was based on agreement between an A Reader and a B Reader, NIOSH will obtain one or more additional interpretations by B Readers as necessary to obtain agreement in accord with §37.53, and MSHA must report the results to the miner together with notification from MSHA of any rights which may accrue to the miner in accordance with §37.7. If the reported interpretation was based on agreement between two (or more) B Readers, the reading will be accepted as conclusive and the miner must be so informed by MSHA.
- (b) Any operator who is directed by MSHA to transfer a miner to a less dusty atmosphere based on the most recent examination made subsequent to August 1, 1978, may file a written request with NIOSH to review its findings. The standards set forth in paragraph (a) of this section apply and the operator and miner will be notified by MSHA whether the miner is entitled to the option to transfer.

§ 37.80 Availability of records.

- (a) Medical information and roentgenograms on miners will be released by ALOSH only with the written consent from the miner, or if the miner is deceased, written consent from the miner's widow, next of kin, or legal representative.
- (b) To the extent authorized, roentgenograms will be made available for examination only at ALOSH.

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§ 37.80 Availability of records for radiographs.

- (a) Medical information and radiographs on miners will be released by NIOSH only with the written consent from the miner, or if the miner is deceased, written consent from the miner's widow or widower, next of kin, or legal representative.
- (b) To the extent authorized, radiographs will be made available for examination only at NIOSH.

Subpart—Autopsies

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§37.200 Scope.

The provisions of this subpart set forth the conditions under which the Secretary will pay pathologists to obtain results of autopsies performed by them on miners.

§ 37.201 Definitions.

As used in this subpart:

- (a) Secretary means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.
- (b) *Miner* means any individual who during his life was employed in any underground coal mine.
 - (c) Pathologist means
- (1) A physician certified in anatomic pathology or pathology by the American Board of Pathology or the American Osteopathic Board of Pathology,
- (2) A physician who possesses qualifications which are considered "Board of eligible" by the American Board of Pathology or American Osteopathic Board of Pathology, or